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The information disclosure statement filed August 2, 2007 fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.97(d) because it lacks a statement as specified in 37 CFR 1.97(e), which requires the statement to include the phrase "first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office". The statement submitted by applicants fails to include this phrase. Instead, the statement submitted by applicants contains the phrase "first cited in a communication from the European Patent Office" and therefore it is not a statement as specified in 37 CFR 1.97(e). See also MPEP 609.04(b), subsection V, for a discussion of why this specified language is required. The information disclosure statement has been placed in the application file, but the information referred to therein has not been considered.

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